

Audubon Bird Walk

Date: Saturday, April 15
Time: 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Grow Native! Plant Sale and Educational Fair

Date: Saturday, April 29
Member Preview: 7:00-9:00 a.m.
General Public: 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.
Featuring specialty native plants and seed mixes of wildflowers and grasses for the Central Arizona Highlands.

May Nature Writings & Music

Member Orientation

Date: Wednesday, May 3
Time: 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Friends, fun and the great outdoors come and find new ways to be a part of our organization.

Join the Lunatic Fringe with Prescott Astronomy Club

Date: May 6
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Presenter: Fulton Wright
Explore the spectacular geology of our captive celestial neighbor.

Nature Writings

Date: Saturday, May 13
Time: 1:00-2:30 p.m.
Create and share beautiful nature writings with members of the Mad Women Poets Society.

Evening of Music & Friends

Date: Tuesday, May 16
Time: 7:00-8:30 p.m.
This evening of music features students from Tri-City College Prep and Bradshaw Mountain High Schools performing in the outdoor Kiwanis amphitheater.

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Date: Saturday, May 20
Time: 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Spotlight on the Stars Astronomy Festival

Date: Saturday, May 20
Time: 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Location: Watson Lake Park, Prescott
Come and visit the Highlands Center at the Astronomy Festival. Learn bird constellations, children's activities and other amazing astronomy facts!

Nature Walk

Date: Wednesday, May 24
Time: 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Take a trail walk to discover the wonder and beauty of the plants, shrubs, and trees at our Lynx Creek Site.

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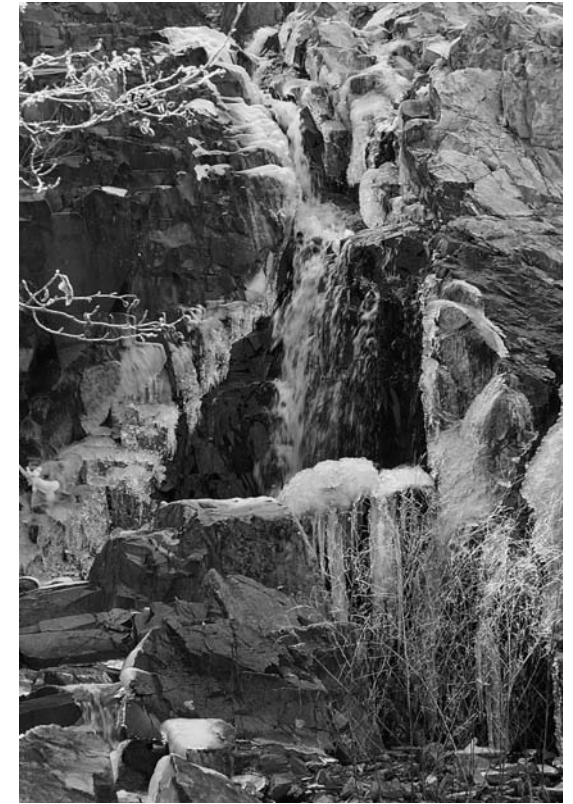


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"If I were to name the three most precious resources of life, I should say books, friends, and nature; and the greatest of these, at least the most constant and always at hand, is nature."

John Burroughs



Community Programs

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The Highlands Center for Natural History is a nonprofit educational organization that *helps children and adults discover the wonders of nature and become wise caretakers of the land*. We provide these community programs at no charge. We rely on the generosity of the community to support these programs and your donations are greatly appreciated.

ALL PROGRAMS WILL BE HELD AT THE HIGHLANDS CENTER LYNX CREEK SITE, 1375 S. WALKER ROAD, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. Please register for programs by calling 776-9550 or by e-mail to highlands@cableone.net. Suggested donation for educational programs is \$3.

The monthly Saturday night astronomy programs are hosted by the **Prescott Astronomy Club**. Each program will include a discussion followed by an observing session with several telescopes provided by the Club. Please bring a flashlight.

The monthly Audubon bird walks are conducted by presenters from the **Prescott Audubon Society**. During these Saturday mornings, come discover which birds visit, why, and when. Deepen your knowledge and awareness of our avian neighbors.

Programs are subject to change (weather, location, enrollment) please call 776-9550 or visit www.highlandscenter.org for updates.

January People and Place

Ribbons of Green — Prescott's Natural Heritage

Date: Wednesday, January 11
Time: 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Presenter: Michael Byrd, Prescott Creeks Preservation Association
Location: The Grove Studio, 119-Z Grove Avenue, Prescott
"Ribbons of Green" find out the history of Prescott Creeks and their importance to our natural environment.

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Date: Saturday, January 21
Time: 9:00-11:00 a.m.

People of the Sun — History of the Yavapai People

Date: Wednesday, January 25
Time: 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Presenter: Sandy Lynch, Ph.D. Anthropologist, Sharlott Hall Museum
Location: Smoki Museum Pueblo, 147 North Arizona, Prescott
Discover how the Yavapai People helped to shape our community and the Central Arizona Highlands.

February Stir the Senses

Natural History Series

Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays, February 2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28
Time: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Location: Yavapai County Cooperative Extension, 840 Rodeo Drive, Bldg. C, Prescott
Presenters: Call for details
Fee: Member \$90.00; Non-member \$125.00
Have fun learning about the natural history of the Central Arizona Highlands, make new friends, and gain a greater awareness of the natural world that supports and delights us.

Environmental Art as Mirror and Lens: the Evolution of the Environmental Art Movement from the Sixties to the Present Day

Date: Wednesday, February 1

Time: 7:00-8:30 p.m.
Presenter: Edie Dillon, Art Gallery Manager, Yavapai College
Location: Community Room, Crossroads Center, Prescott College, Prescott

The Environmental Art Movement has been expressed from the big land art sculptures of the sixties through the work that artists are doing to restore damaged ecosystems. Come be inspired!

Welcome to the Wonderful World of Astronomy

Date: Saturday, February 4
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Presenter: Bill McDonald
Learn what our sky has to offer on long winter nights ...and why this ancient science is enjoying a new golden age.

A Taste of Local and Regional Foods

Date: Saturday, February 11
Time: 1:30-3:00 p.m.
Presenter: Molly Beverly, Director, Prescott College Crossroads Café
Location: Community Room, Crossroads Center, Prescott College, Prescott
Molly will share her vision of "Think Globally, Eat Locally" by teaching us about the availability of local and regional foods and will share a few of her favorite dishes. Learn about the Prescott College Community Supported Agriculture program.

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Date: Saturday, February 18
Time: 9:00-11:00 a.m.

March From the Earth

Bringing Life Back Home

Date: Wednesday, March 1
Time: 4:00-6:00 p.m.
Presenter: Nichole Trushell, Executive Director, Highlands Center
Location: Smoki Museum Pueblo, 147 North Arizona, Prescott

Home landscaping techniques bring both beauty and natural diversity to your yard. Fun interactive presentation on new ideas for using native plants in your home landscaping, including a preview of Grow Native! Plant Sale and Educational Fair.

Star Hopping the Night Sky

Date: Saturday, March 4
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Presenter: Douglas Taylor-Gebler
Explore traditional ways to find your way around our universe. (Star charts will be provided).

Introduction to Vegetable Gardening

Date: Saturday, March 11, 2006
Time: 10:00-11:30 a.m.
Presenters: Cory and Shanti Rade, Whipstone Farm
Place: Yavapai County Cooperative Extension, 840 Rodeo Drive, Bldg. C, Prescott

Come and learn more about how you can plant and grow organic vegetables in the Central Arizona Highlands.

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Desert Wildflowers Field Trip

Date: Wednesday, March 29
Time: 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Presenter: Nichole Trushell, Executive Director, Highlands Center
Location: See below
Spend a day exploring spring desert wildflowers near the Santa Maria River. Carpool details available with RSVP. \$5 registration fee. RSVP required by March 22 — attendees will be limited to 15.

April Spring Fling

Orion and Other Nebulae

Date: April 1
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Presenter: Gene Giermann
Discover where the stars are born.

Walk Into Spring

Date: Wednesday, April 5
Time: 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Presenter: Fiona Reid, Education Director, Highlands Center

Find signs of life on a spring morning walk at the Lynx Creek Site.